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of claim 1.

24. An article of manufacture having computer readable program code means embodied therein for causing selection of 5 one of a plurality of wireless base stations to be allocated a particular transmit opportunity, the computer readable code means in said article of manufacture comprising:

computer readable code means for maintaining a respective transaction length for each wireless station and maintaining a 10 respective delay parameter for each wireless station indicative of how long since the wireless station was last allocated a transmit opportunity;

computer readable code means for selecting a group of said wireless stations to compete for the transmit 15 opportunity;

computer readable code means for each of the group of said wireless stations, computing a respective transmit priority which is a function of the respective transaction length and the respective delay parameter; and

20 computer readable code means for selecting a wireless station in said group of said wireless stations with the highest transmit priority as the wireless station to be allocated the particular transmit opportunity.